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Mortar Board Chooses Seven New Members

Cutting, Darling, Hamilton, Taylor, Kreh, McKenna, Overhysser Tapped

In Mead Chapel last Monday morning, seven junior women were tapped for membership in Mortar Board, the only national women's honorary society to base its membership upon the three qualifications; service, leadership, and scholarship. The seven juniors who received this honor for 1952-1953 were as follows: Joann M. Cutting, Elizabeth S. Darling, Nancy L. Hamilton, Alberta I. Kreh, Patricia A. McKenna, Jean M. Overhysser, and Susan Taylor.

Jo Cutting, a member of Sigma Kappa, has been on the Dean's List for five semesters and is business manager of the 1952 Kaleodoscope.

Biffy Darling, a member of the choir and Sigma Kappa sorority, has been active on W.A.A. and is assistant manager of the band.

Nancy Hamilton, a member of Skyline and co-chairman of the Winter Sports Committee for '52 Winter Carnival, is secretary of the Mountain Club.

Abby Kreh, recently elected

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Stenson Leaves For Williams

Sten H. Stenson, Instructor of Philosophy at Middlebury, has resigned from the faculty to become an Instructor of Philosophy next year at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.

Mr. Stenson graduated from Columbia University Graduate School in 1952. He first came to Middlebury in 1949 as an Instructor of Philosophy.

About his departure Mr. Stenson says, "Although I am looking forward to work in Williamstown, I'll miss my friends on the faculty and in the student body at Middlebury."

Pre-Vacation Cut Pers Cut

Administrators Abolish Special Class Absences

Future cutting permissions prior to vacations were virtually abolished by action of the Administration Committee on April 15, as a result of many complaints against students seeking special class absence privileges before and after the spring vacations.

It was pointed out that cutting on these days, usually by less responsible students, destroyed the value of the class meetings for those who did attend, caused a letdown in class morale, and made it necessary for faculty members to spend an inordinate amount of extra time in helping students make up work missed.

A total of over 300 class absences was reported for April 5 and April 16. The reasons most frequently given for absence were chances for free rides home, search for future employment, transportation connections, trips to vacation areas, medical and dental appointments. The great majority were considered unnecessary if the students or their parents did a little advance planning.

The regulation which has been in effect for several years states unequivocally that excuses may be granted only for emergencies, and specifies that excuses are not granted for travel time, vacation employment, transportation arrangements, and appointments appointments away from college. The Deans in the past have made exceptions where there was evidence that early departure would

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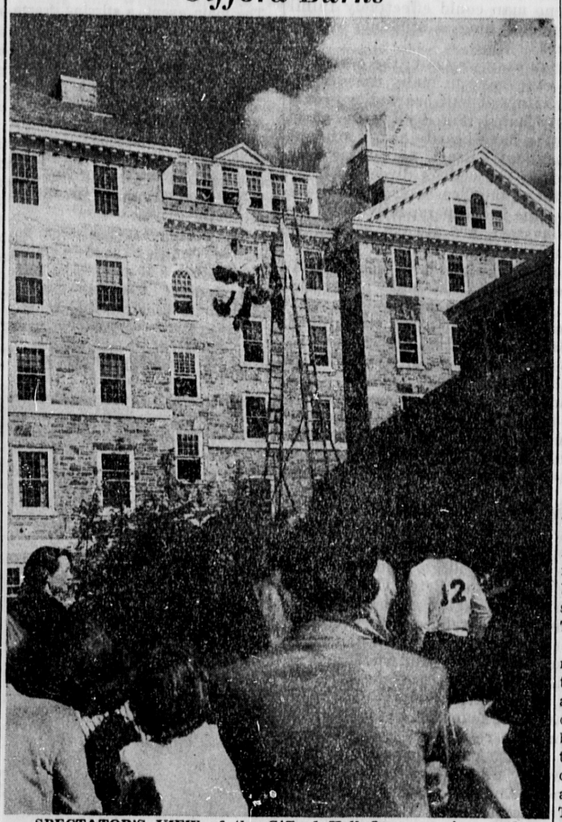
Fire Ravages Gifford; Causes $30,000 Damage

Gifford Burns



SPECTATOR'S VIEW of the Gifford Hall fire — raging smoke, flying clothes and books, ladders and hoses — all caught at its height by the camera.

Three Students Overcome By Smoke Fumes

By John Taylor '52

Fire starting in an elevator shaft and spreading to a wooden attic on Monday afternoon, April 21 caused damage estimated at $30,000 to Gifford Hall and resulted in the hospitalization of three men overcome by smoke.

The fire originated when some trash was temporarily left in the elevator, which is of the dumbwaiter type, where a janitor moving the trash was called away to receive supplies. It first burned the elevator and some ropes holding it in place, causing the counterweights to pull the elevator to the top of the shaft.

Smoke Victims

The three men overcome by smoke were William C. Kinnard '52, James R. Ralph '54, and Charles A. Craig '55. The three men were removed to Porter Hospital by ambulance where they recovered speedily and were discharged on Tuesday morning.

No burning took place inside the main part of the building, although there was considerable water damage and smoke there particularly on the fifth floor. The ceiling was burned and chopped through in the top of the elevator shaft, in one bed room, in a trunk room, and in the hall of the fifth floor. The attic, including timbers supporting the roof, was badly burnt.

Damage Controlled

Excessive water damage was prevented by men sweeping the water down the elevator shaft to a drain in the basement and by throwing belongings out of windows.

Electricity was restored to the lower part of the building Monday evening and to the rest of the building on Tuesday. Tarpaulins were spread to serve as temporary roofing.

Insurance

The damage to the building was fully insured. Although the college has no insurance on personal effects of students, it is believed that many will be covered by fire insurance of their parents which usually covers up to 10% of the policy value for goods damaged away from home. One official stated that the college will attempt to find some way to compensate students not covered by insurance.

Student courage and energy in fighting the fire was lauded by

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Overcome By Smoke

Dick Smith Photo.

Jr. Wk'nd On The Way; Jolson Rumored Visitor

By Cal Jennings '53

Gals press your formals; fellows get a date; Junior Week-end is almost here. The biggest social fling between Carnival and Graduation will be opened on Thursday evening, May 1 by a pungent joke-filled Rally. Following in the schedule is the Junior Prom on Friday; the sophomore-freshman tug of war, the Midd-Norwich baseball game, the Variety Show on Saturday; and Stepsinging on Sunday. Co-chairmen of the week-end are Martin Gray '53 and Anne Coleman '53.

Queens On Display

The Rally will begin at 7:30 in McCullough Gym. Co-chairmen David Todd '53 and Harold Rice '53 promise a jolly evening with a view of May Day at Midd, a Midd possibly under Russian domination. The candidates for Queen: Janet Bradley, Patricia Hamilton, Marjorie McCallum, Marilyn Mackie, Corinne Morgan, Nancy Peck, Virginia Reynolds, Jane Scott, Anne Tilton, and Irene Widen, will be on hand to be judged by Mr. Samuel Guarnaccia, Mr. Robert Klein, and Mrs. Phyllis Cole Deming '51.

Bobby Byrne

Blue Champagne is the theme of this year's Junior Prom which will be held on May 2 from 9-1 at the Field House. Decorations will star the color blue as well as lots of champagne bubbles. Music with a new twist will be provided by Bobby Byrne and his orchestra. Bobby Byrne is a newcomer to the

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Bobby Byrne

Who will bring his orchestra to Middlebury for the Junior Prom next week-end.

Dean Of N.Y.C. Cathedral To Speak At Partridge Lecture This Sunday

The Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City, the Very Rev. J. A. Pike, J.S.D. will be the Partridge lecturer in chapel on Sunday, April 27. Dr. Pike, at present Chaplain of Columbia University, and head of the Department of Religion, is a graduate of the University of Southern California (A.B., LL.B.). He received his doctorate in law books. He served as a line officer during the last war.

Dr. Pike, a former Roman Catholic, was ordained in 1944 before graduating from Union Theological Seminary. Before coming to Columbia he was in charge of Episcopal student work at Vassar college. He is a Fellow of the National Council on Religion in Higher Education and a member of the Executive Committee of the Church Society for College Work. As an author, Dr. Pike co-operated in writing "The Faith of the Church", which was published recently.

The Partridge Lecture was instituted by Mr. Redfield Proctor in memory of his friend and business associate, Frank C. Partridge. Both men were trustees of Middlebury College. The lecture is known as "The Partridge Lecture on Christianity" and has as its general subject "Man's Need for Christianity".

Rev. Pike, preaching as Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, said last Sunday that President James B. Conant of Harvard, and other influential educators have in effect made an "assault on democracy" in their recent statements about religion in education. Dr. Conant had stated that private and parochial secondary schools tended to divide America along economic and religious lines. Said Rev. Pike, "Democracy is the freedom to have one's own fundamental beliefs and to comunicate them to one's children in the most effective way possible."

MiddFilmClub To Present First Program

Includes Bach, Poetry, Light Patterns, The River

Great interest has already been evidenced in Middlebury about the announced organization of a College-Town Film Club. The interim organization committee of faculty members Claude Bourcier, Donald Purcell, Lincoln Hanson, and Eric Volkert is pleased to announce the Club's first meeting, Sunday, April 27, at 7:00 P. M., in the College Playhouse.

The program, of approximately one hour and a half duration, will be as follows:

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The Final Answer

Compulsory Chapel must go.

Compromise plans and dynamic Chaplains will never permanently eliminate Chapel criticism. At best, such stop-gap programs only succeed in temporarily quieting outspoken students who sincerely object to any compulsory Chapel service, not because "like the youth of every age they revolt against things compulsory" but because they find it inconsistent with fundamental religious morality.

For a year now we have held off from making any editorial reference to Chapel. In an initial editorial we said the new program "deserves a fair trial before any judgment is passed." A college year is more than adequate trial. Students have increasingly pressed this newspaper to come out strongly and evaluate the current Chapel system. We can no longer hold off.

It is our sincere belief that the Chapel program is failing, and will continue to fail in its effort to provide students with spontaneous and voluntary religious experience. The fault is not the Chaplain's. It would be difficult to secure a man who could have more quickly gained student support and enthusiasm than the present Chaplain. But no man could effectively fulfill the role of Chaplain at Middlebury as long as students are required to attend religious services.

Students are not looking for an easy way out; the ones who wildly revolted for revolution's sake have in many cases turned their efforts to other matters, happy at half-hearted improvement. For many, unfortunately, Chapel is a dead issue. And besides, they point out, the Trustees have heard enough student criticism. Any more complaints about Chapel, no matter how moderate or sincere, will only anger the college directors.

Frankly, we have more faith in the Trustees. We believe that the Trustees, who alone have the broad perspective and the powers necessary to revise the system, are always willing to listen to well-intended student suggestions.

The shortcomings of the current system have been accentuated by the complete breakdown of the Assembly programs. Faculty members, in part unwilling to speak before what may be a hostile and resentful audience, have not been encouraged to speak in Assembly. Joke fests, burlesqued publicity and two minute announcements are a poor mid-morning diet. Credit for the Assembly fiasco lies not with the Chaplain.

The experience of the past year would lead us to doubt whether there is any real need for a regularly scheduled, compulsory Assembly program. And moreover the Assembly program is only a side-light which has succeeded in directing attention away from the central problem: compulsory religious attendance.

Some persistent required Chapel supporters boast that the voluntary services offered at present have been anything but successful. They point to the small congregations and say, "See, give them voluntary Chapel, and no one will go." United States Protestantism has come a long way from Peter Cartwright's fear-of-the-Lord conversions. The size of the congregation is in no way an indication of fundamental religious fervor. Ask any of the students who regularly attend voluntary Chapel; we firmly believe that they will testify to unique and sustained religious experience. The voluntary services have been successful where it counts — in the hearts of the participants.

To deduct academic credits for unexcused absences from religious services designed to provide religious experience, not solely religious instruction, is silly. Academic credits have nothing to do with Chapel. The only reason credits are deducted is to insure student attendance. And compulsory attendance cannot be equated with "religious experience." If religious instruction is desired, then a required course in religion is the only answer. If genuine religious experience is wanted, then voluntary religious services are the only solution.

Religion must find its source spontaneously and voluntarily in the longing of the individual soul. Any measure or system which compels attendance is a violation of each individual's natural right to spiritual freedom.

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Junior Weekend

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dance music world whose use of harps, flutes and French horns in his band have given him a rapidly increasing popularity. The highlight of the evening will be, of course, the crowning of the queen. The price is $3.60 per couple. All faculty are invited to attend as guests of the Junior class.

The tug of war, planned for 1:30 Saturday afternoon is generally conceded to be the most strenuous and down-to-earth activity of the week-end. The freshman and sophomore men attempt, and usually succeed, in dragging each other through a muddy bog behind the Sig Ep house. This year's struggle promises to be especially heated since the sophomores, denied last year the usual easy victory, are more determined than ever to capture the championship. Following this battle there will be a procession of the queen and her court, and then the Midd-Norwich baseball game at Porter Field.

The 1952 Midd-Time Variety Show, Saturday, May 3, at 8:30 in the High School Gym, will feature singing, dancing, acting, and "college humor at its best." The acts range from a sensitive interpretation of Bizet's Carmen by Carol Brautigam '52, to an authentic Minstrel Show featuring, claim the directors, Al Jolson himself. "Moonglow" presents the rising young freshman singer Irwin Lubin, and "Comprehensive Nightmare" is intended to be of special interest to frantic seniors. Admission costs only $1.00.

Junior Week-end closes at 7 P. M. Sunday evening with the traditionally lovely stepsinging competition. Each class presents three songs composed and rehearsed for the occasion. The entries will be judged and Men's and Women's winners chosen.

Profs Play Before Packed Playhouse As Purcell Pursues 'Passionate' Nan

By Ed Hickcox '53

The Cosmos Club, Middlebury's faculty club, served a delicious menu of baked ham and sweet corn on April 17 and 18 at the College Playhouse as they presented a concoction in three acts entitled "Lighthouse Nan" or 'Virtue Rewarded". The dessert between the acts included some scenes apparently from President Stratton's office in Saudi Arabia; also between the acts were two episodes concerning a lost week-end and some gentlemen interested in "Economics".

Stirring Drama

The main event, a stirring drama authored by somebody other than the immortal bard, feaured Mrs. Nelly Valentine in a psychological interpretation of a Pygmalion-type character, Nan, who lived in a lighthouse. Nelly, who should have known better, became involved with one of the great lovers of our time, Don "Valentino" Purcell, whose irresistible charm proved irresistible.

After Purcell has recovered the necklace which Claude "Injun Jim" Bourcier had stolen from Margaret Hopkins' drawers, (bureau that is,) the plot became complicated with the arrival of Rose Martin, her father, Hal "I don't remember my line" Parker, an Englishman, Linc Hanson and his sister, Michele Roppe.

A Few Complications

It turned out that Miss Martin, a charming 18-year-old whose hair had somehow turned gray, had been switched with Nelly in infancy. In other words, her father was really that chronic drunkard, Sam Guarnaccia.

A short excursion to "Passion Puddle" to cool things off brought forth cries of "experts prefer the cemetery two to one" from the audience.

The scene then shifted from the desolate isle to a penthouse in suburban Middlebury. Nelly had "spent four happy years and sadly do we go, but you'll come back, yes, you'll come back" at college and was saturated with erudition. Guarnaccia and "the gentle antelope of his bosom" (Margaret Hopkins) arrived from the lighthouse and almost exposed Miss Martin in her true role; she, however, donated half her salary to them and married Linc Hanson.

Purcell, gallant to the end (I never strike a woman when she's down) won the hand of the fair Nelly, and they were about to embrace when the curtain fell. After all, she was a Middlebury woman!

Walton Renders

A between-the-acts exhibition was presented by Jean Guarnaccia, Ellen Tillinghast and Mary Volkert. Peter Walton then diverted the fair ladies with a striking rendition of . . . well, a striking rendition. He seemed a little mixed up.

Later on Rose Martin, apparently a quick change artist, expressed her thanks for a lovely week-end at the estate of one Mrs. Losborough. Six fugitives from the Old Howard—Bourcier, Cluff, Van Wart, Volkert and Walton rounded out the program.

The whole show was staged for the benefit of Porter Hospital. The cast also took a collection for the benefit of the audience.

Others connected with the production included Rita and Jean Berger, Storrs Lee, Phil Macklin, E. J. Stenson, Prindle Wissler, Margaret Fayer, Joyce Higley, Werner Neuse and John Valentine (he stayed home).

Operation Steeplejack

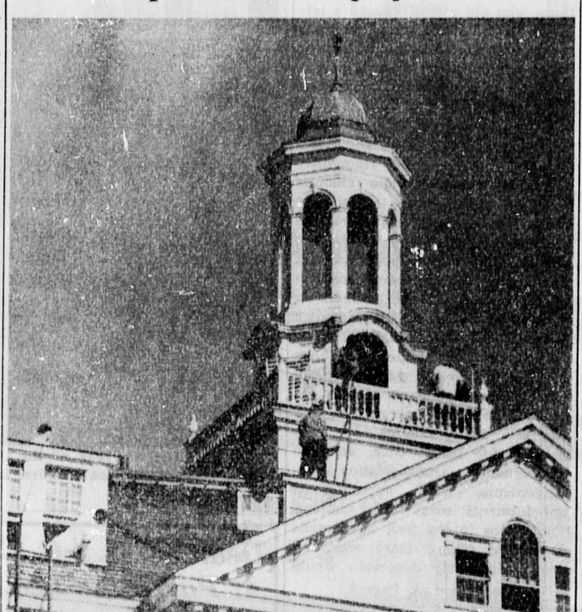

Photo by Dick Smith.

MOPPING UP OPERATIONS begin on the outside as soon as flame and smoke subside in the Gifford fire last Monday.

Vacation Cuts

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cause unwarranted delay in reaching home or a substantial addition to travel expenses. Students not genuinely affected have taken advantage of the liberal policy, and made its fair application impossible; the policy therefore is necessarily discontinued.

The greatest single difficulty arises from car operators who have no classes on the last day before vacation or who complete their last class early in the morning, and will not wait for passengers whose classes are scheduled for a later hour.

The present rule remains unchanged except that scholarship students and students on the Dean's list may be excused a day or two early when necessary, and students requiring more than 48 hours to reach home by train may be given one day for travel time at either the beginning or end of the holiday period, but not at both. Students who show evidence that they have obligations beyond their control or scheduling at home may be excused as at any other time of the year.

Gifford Fire

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Vice-President Freeman. Dr. Freeman himself was seen working in the smoke on the fifth floor shortly after the fire started.

Shortly after the Gifford fire was brought under control, a grass fire directly to leeward broke out across route 30 from the field house. A large part of the spruce hedge of Mrs. Basil Kodjbanoff and grass on both sides of the street were burned.

Three fire trucks from Middlebury, one each from Vergennes and East Middlebury responded to the fire. The Middlebury company had just come from a fire on Munger Street, where a farm house was burned to the ground.

The first pumper which responded to the Gifford fire had been paid for in part by the college on the condition that only one of the company's two pumpers would leave town at a time. Thus the pumper was still in the fire house when the alarm sounded instead of being out on Munger Street.

Students watching the fire had obviously come from various occupations. Some were in bare feet having been sunbathing, others were in chemistry aprons or in spiked shoes. Pre-As were being given in geology and in religion classes when the fire broke out. Several incomplete exam papers have been reported. Some students took advantage of the diversion to use the usually crowded tennis courts.

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Recently pinned were William L. Hall '52 to Janet H. Vallance '55; George W. Peck IV '53 to Doris A. Sturtevant '54; Donald G. Drew '54 to Patricia E. Masterson '54; Carol E. Anderson '54 to Ens. William E. Gwatkin U.S.N.; Janet W. Goring '54 to Richard D. Runyan, U.S. Naval Academy '54; Jean F. Clark '54 to Robert S. Johnson, Syracuse School of Architecture '55; and Peter H. Cooney '55 to Elizabeth A. Leonard '55. Harold E. McGee '52 is engaged to Jeanne C. Koelsch '52 and Thomas W. Gillam '52 to Kay Pearson, U.V.M.

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A surprising battle cry of the Gifford fire eaters was the earthy yell, "First throw the books, boys, first the books."

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The CAMPUS office was beseiged by unnumbered hordes of girls during the latter stages of the infamous Gifford fire. It seems that they all wanted to conduct an on-the-spot, room-to-room, survey of conditions in Gifford for the CAMPUS. Some girls never stop dreaming.

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Professor Brown's announcement last week in Classics that Dick Godfrey was absent having a baby wa sat least partially true. Since the we have the word that Joey and Dick Godfrey's new baby is a girl.

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Alarm clocks have been thrown out in the spring cleaning at Hepburn. It seems that Midd's women are playing morning tennis, which is good incentive for Hepburnians to leap up easily at dawn.

Letter

To the Editor:

For preventing the spread of fire in Gifford recently we can thank the quick minded students who made use of the fire hoses.

Lucky thing it wasn't in Hepburn. There are no fire hoses there.

Lyman Allen '53

Trustees Delay Calendar Vote

The faculty recommended revised calendar for next year, which would have shortened Christmas and Spring recesses in order to end college activities one week earlier in June, was not accepted by the Board of Trustees at their last regular meeting.

Prompted by their own doubts and by strong student criticism of the suggested calendar, the Trustees voted to refer the matter over to Dr. Freeman for discussion and consideration. Any final decision will be made by vote of the trustees.

Art Dep't. Offers 2 New Courses

In an attempt to enlarge the scope of the Department's offerings and to reduce the size of classes, the Fine Arts Department is planning to offer next fall a course, Fine Arts 11.1, known as Introduction to Fine Arts. This course might be described as a general introduction to the form and content of Art History, and will be given in 1952 for one semester only. It will be given Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 10:30 A. M., and is open to freshmen and others.

The Department further wishes to announce that it plans a course to be given in the spring known as 24.1, dealing with the History and Theory of Eastern Art. This course would encompass the development of Architecture, Painting and Sculpture of Eastern Art, comprising Hindu, Mohammedan, Persian, Chinese, and Japanese Art. The present Survey Course in Art, 25.1, will still be given in the fall and spring semesters.

Any students interested in registering at this time for Fine Arts 11.1 may do so at the Registrar's Office.

Taxes Topic Of 2nd Annual Fife Lecture

Maxwell Wants Reduced Taxes, Better Congress

By John Taylor '52

The prospect of reducing our federal expenditures, and thus of reducing taxes, was the topic of the second annual Fife Memorial Lectures, delivered by Dr. James A. Maxwell in Mead Chapel on Friday, April 19. Dr. Maxwell is chairman of the department of economics and sociology at Clark University in Worcester, Mass., and served as a federal economist during World War II.

The two principal points of Dr. Maxwell's talk were, first, that we must spend a great deal of money for defense purposes at the present time, and secondly, that the procedures of Congress need modernization.

Dr. Maxwell felt that in this era between a status of war and peace we must make large expenditures for our national safety and nothing much can be done toward reducing expenditures to this end. Expenditures in the areas of the Marshall plan, the Mutual Security Program, and military weapons unfortunately must continue if we are to continue our present policy of leading from strength, a policy which the speaker supports.

Dr. Maxwell stated that if we are to be able to cut expenditures greatly when the world situation permits, and if we are to be able to make what savings are possible now, we must have changes in Congressional organization. He proposed that the appropriations committees of Congress have small staffs of experts which would sit in on the discussions of the preparation of the budget by the administration. He felt that this procedure would give the committee members more information on the real issues behind the proposed appropriations.

This proposal is necessary, Dr. Maxwell felt, because of the fact that Congressmen have insufficient time and technical background to be able to make the proper judgments. Thus they must either take the word of the administration representatives or use a hit and miss procedure of appropriation reduction.

The lecture was in honor of Harry Moore Fife, professor of economics at Middlebury from 1926 until his death in January 1950.

Students Win Prizes In Art

For the seventh successive year Middlebury students have received prizes and critical praise in the Eighth Annual College Students' Art Competition of the Springfield Museum of Fint Arts, in Springfield, Mass.

Alan M. Gussow 5'2, first prize winner in watercolors last year, won honorable mention in the show behind the winning Dartmouth entry.

Local Springfield newspapers praised the entries of other Middlebury students. Diana Buchanan '52 and Katherine Alexander ex-'53 were lauded for their watercolors, and William Rice '53 was cited for an oil painting.

Over 160 items in oils, watercolors, etchings and sculpture were submitted in the exhibition's largest turnout since its inception.

New Clubhouse To Yacht Club At Dunmore

Mrs. G. Britten, president of the Lake Dunmore Association, has provided the Middlebury Yacht Club with a new clubhouse, according to Commodore Ralph Gundersen '53. The new center for club activities is a wooden frame building that overlooks the southern end of Lake Dunmore and is used in the summer as a lodge by Mrs. Britten's guests at her adult summer camp. The spacious white house is enriched in the interior by pine-paneled rooms, easy chairs, a huge stone fireplace that is centered against one wall of the main room, and such rustic furnishings as a wagon wheel chandlier.

The club has been sorely pressed for a sailing headquarters on the lake since its rejuvenation in 1946, so Mrs. Britten's offer of her lodge, at a small rental fee, for the fall and spring racing season was gratefully accepted by the club.

Mrs. Britten has also offered to cook meals for all teams on racing days at the lake at her own expense.

The club will inaugurate its new home on Sunday, April 27, when the first home race will be held.

Mortar Board Taps Seven

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Chief Justice of the Women's College and active member of W.A.A., is Pan-Hellenic representative of Kappa Delta sorority.

Patsy McKenna, a former member of the women's ski team, is a staff member and contributor to "Frontiers" and is managing editor of the CAMPUS.

Jean Overhysser, president of Student Union for the coming year, was secretary of that organization during 1951-1952 and a former member of the Kaleidoscope staff. Jean is a member of Kappa Kappa Gama.

Sue Taylor, house president of the Chateau, is chairman of the Women's Forum Dancing Classes and has been president of the Dance Club for the past year.

All candidates for Mortar Board must qualify scholastically according to standards set up by the national organization; each girl must have an academic average at least three points bove the overall average of her class, and in this case, that grade had to be 84.1.

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Midd To Meet Four Colleges

By Frank Sullivan

This Saturday Coach Brown's cindermen will take to Porter field for the first meet of the season when they contest the thinclads of Bates, Colby, and Vermont. Vermont will field a team which has had one meet already and which has plenty of lettermen returning from last year. Colby and Bates have yet to make a showing this spring. Nevertheless, Middlebury will be counted upon to show the New Englanders the dust; that is, if the field events can stand the strain.

Strong Sprints

In the sprint events Middlebury ought to cop the prime positions with light-footed George West and Lolly Myers providing the speed. West now holds the state record in the 220 at 21.2, so you can count on a first in that department with Myers not far behind. The 100 yard dash again features the duo of West and Myers, who are rated as sure point getters. West has already run an unofficial 10 flat in practice. Coach Brown may use Sonny Dennis in the sprints in order to lend strength to those events, but the inexhaustible Dennis may be used in the 440 or 880 depending on our weakness.

Co-captain Dick Daily will rule the roost for the Middmen in the high hurdles. He will be followed up by Frederickson and Buckingham. In the lows it will be Daily and a possible freshman selection. McMahon of Colby, a star performer, will be at the tape to battle Dick for the low hurdle crown. In the quarter-mile it will be Ray Ablondi and Bill Stotz providing the competition. It will be captain against captain in this event, for Caswell of Vermont features himself as a fast quarterman also. In

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Doug Burden, freshman skiing sensation, copped the Class "A" and open class titles last Sunday for the second year in a row in the Mt. Mansfield Sugar Slalom race. Burden bested a large field in the annual affair, run on the Nose Dive Trail. Conditions for the late race were good.

IT'S A GOOD BET

by Ed Hickcox

Spring Football

Duke Nelson has announced that there will be no spring football practice this year except for informal workouts for three days, May 26, 27, 28. Formerly Middlebury had conducted regular twenty day workouts in the spring for football candidates.

The move abolishing the spring workouts is in accordance with recommendations of the American Council of Education and with the general trend among colleges to place seasonal limits on organized sports.

The absence of the single winged formations sandwiched in among the baseball, track and lacrosse teams during the height of the Dunmore season is not an indication of de-emphasis in Middlebury sports. Rather it is an indication of what "Life" or "Colliers" would call "a more healthy sports atmosphere". One doubts that Middlebury was ever morally depraved in its sports program, but it looks good on paper to abolish what could be a point of controversy here and what is a point of controvery at other schools.

Orientation

The coaches are in favor of the move although they feel that they will be hampered somewhat in putting together a team next fall. The spring practices had served the purpose of orienting men in new positions and of getting a good look at players who had not seen too much action previously. In the fall it is sometimes difficult in a short time to adequately test a man in several positions to find out where he is best suited.

However, the fact that there are so many sports available in the spring plus the fact that the freshmen eligibility rule allows the coaches to get a good look at freshmen in varsity game conditions made it seem advisable to liquidate spring practice. But if you do see a football sailaround some afternoon don't run to the authorities; it's all voluntary.

ECAC

Middlebury has also made membership application to the ECAC, an extensive organization of eastern colleges dedicated to upholding certain standards in athletic competition. The purpose in joining such a council as far as Middlebury is concerned is to express a standard of athletic policy in our relationship with other colleges. Since we play mainly colleges who belong or will belong to the association, no controversies could arise over eligibility, etc., during the seasons because both sides would have to adhere to the same rules in order to belong to the association.

Frosh Eligibility

As far as the freshman eligibility rule is concerned, Middlebury will continue to play first year men on varsity teams as long as possible—that is, as long as the majority of opponents maintain the same policy or do not object strongly to it. Some schools, such as U.V.M., are returning to the old program of freshmen sports, but U.V.M., after all, boasts an enrollment far greater than ours is or will be.

Using freshmen on varsity teams worked out well here this year. Our teams were, for the most part, greatly strengthened. In some cases the freshmen made the difference between a winning and a losing season.

Junior Varsity

One of the policy's best features is the replacement of freshmen teams with Junior Varsity teams. J.V. squads make it possible for upper classmen, who are unable to make varsity teams, to participate in organized sports instead of sitting discontentedly on the bench.

Generally speaking athletics did not affect the marks of freshmen varsity athletes. The average of the class as a whole came to 72.35. The average of the freshmen who earned letters in varsity sports during the winter season came to 72.5. If anything, the athletes ranked higher than their class. Unfortunately, however, the freshmen average was considerably lower than the upper class average.

Tennis Team Opens Against Union College

The varsity tennis team beat Union College, 8-1, here yesterday.

Yesterday afternoon Middlebury's tennis team started off this year's net action acting as host to Union College at the Field House's indoor courts. The action took place too late to be published in this issue.

At the time of this writing, no definite lineup had been posted by Coach Lockwood Merriman except the seedings on the team. In first post is Jan Luytjes, who lost no matches and dropped only one set in his '51 debut at Midd. Following Luytjes is freshman wonder Doug Burden, who has already shown himself an athlete on skis. Bob Dodge '52 captain, holds down third seeding, on the basis of intersquad competition and general standing and is hard pressed by another freshman star, Spike Heminway, who showed early this fall to have the calibre of play wanted by Coach Merriman when he continuously rallied with Burden. The two put on quite an exhibition of tennis skill on the outside courts.

Despite the seedings, the first four me non the squad are nearly equal in ability with Luytjes perhaps having a slight edge in court savvy. The quartet will also combine to serve as Merriman's number 1 and 2 doubles combos, Luytjes with Burden and Dodge with Heminway.

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Varsity Letter Awards To 37

The following men have received varsity letter awards in basketball, hockey and skiing for the winter season 1951-52:

Basketball: Arthur C. Bass, Fred. T. Brooks, John R. Castelli, Roger R. Colton, Alfred D. Dennis, Edward F. Killeen, Robert H. Perkins, Donald C. Rowe, Daniel S. Scott, Neil S. Sheehan, Stephen E. Baker, mgr.

Hockey: Douglas J. Binning, B. Paul Bock, Peter H. Cooney, William D. Cronin, Robert R. Gibson, Robert M. Hartt, Charles E. Jennings, Charles S. Lauer, Peter B. Marshall, Donald O. Menard, Samuel B. Patch, Elbert C. Rathburn, Harold L. Rice, Robert S. Smith, David G. Todd, David C. Paulson, mgr., John P. Foley, mgr.

Skiing: W. Douglas Burden, Richard Eliot, Richard F. Ireland, Thomas J. Lamson, Gale H. Shaw, Cedric E. Sherrer, Leslie D. Streeter, J. Winthrop Tremaine, Nathaniel H. Whiteside.

The following men have received J.V. letter awards in basketball for the 1951-52 season.

Basketball: Weston F. Cowles, Robert M. Gallagher, James H. Hunt, E. Arthur Johnston, Robert W. Killeen, David L. McKissock, Edward Thomson.

2nd Game At Northeastern

By Pete Neisser

Tomorrow afternoon is opening day for the 1952 edition of Middlebury's baseball nine as the Panthers start the campaign against Boston University and follow up with a game against Northeastern U., both at the opponents' home diamond.

Each of these games is the odd contest in a long series of encounters which is all knotted up. The Blue and White has been batting and pitching against B.U. since 1922, and the two teams have broken even with four wins apiece. In the Northeastern rivalry, the two squads have again paired off with five wins each, Midd winning the last battle by a 2-0 tally in '50.

State Title Quest

After these two engagements, the Sheehanmen will stay home until the early part of May and open up their defensive campaign in quest of the Vermont State championship. Middlebury has maintained the title of Vermont champion since 1946 but last year had to share the honors as co-champions with St. Michael's. The Panther defense will open up against Norwich at Porter Field on May 3 and Coach Bobo Sheehan's charges will pay their respects to the Michaelmen five days later. Last year, under the tutelage of Dick Ciccolella, the Pantherites got off to a fast start downing Norwich 9-7, St. Mike's 3-2 and U.V.M. 4-2, but then slumped a little and had to be satisfied with a tie for first, as they lost to U.V.M. the second time around 5-8, beat Norwich 12-2 and lost the finale to St. Michael's, 11-12.

Lettermen

With a squad of 17 experienced men, including 10 returning letter bearers, Bobo has high hopes of turning in a successful season, but the lack of outdoor practice will undoubtedly be a handicap in the early part of the season. "They're good boys and good ballplayers, and they all really want to play ball," said the baseball maestro, "but it's very early still and they haven't had the chance to get a feeling for the outdoor conditions yet. All we can do is play one game at a time." Thus the coach summarized present conditions.

Led by co-captains Cricket Curtis and Dave Paulson, the squad lines up this way: catching, Curtis and Dick Allen; first base, either Rog Colton or Neil Sheehan; second base, Pete Marshall; third, Doug Binning or George Christian; shortstop, Scooter Paulson; centerfield, Bob Stalker; left and right fields, Bill Cahill, Don Beers, Sam Patch, Bill Skiff and possible duty from prospective hurler Julie Hodges. The pitching staff holds Barrie Storrs, Bill Fankhauser, Sheehan, Christian, Hodges and Dick Makin, the sole frosh on the team.

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Hub Vacation Regattas Feature Water Activities

Middlebury College sailors qualified for the New England Championships to be held at Coast Guard on May 10 as they took third in the New England Dinghy Championship Elimination "A" at Tufts last Sunday. Middlebury scored 37 points behind first place Coast Guard with 49 and second place M.I.T. with 44. Behind Midd came Boston College and Rhode Island.

In the "A" division, Ed Gleason with crew Nan Allen took a first, third, and two fourths. For the "B" division John Hill with crew Sue Goyne captured three thirds, a fourth and a fifth.

Midd Third

In a pentagonal regatta during the spring recess, Middlebury tied for third with Boston College behind M.I.T. and Northeastern. Ralph Gundersen and Ed Gleason co-skippered in the "A" division while Pat Hinman and Jim Bowden did the honors in "B".

Middlebury appeared to be on the way to win in this regatta but disqualifications ruined the prospects.

On April 13 Middlebury, with crews recruited from the Boston area, competed in another pentagonal regatta at M.I.T. In this regatta Middlebury captured a third place behind M.I.T. and Tufts. The Panthers gathered 43 points against 51 for M.I.T. and 50 for Tufts. Maine and Bowdoin followed behind Midd.

Close Competition

Ed Gleason and Gordie Brown, racing in "A" division, garnered 23 points while Ralph Gundersen and Jim Bowden made 20 points. Competition was close in the early rounds as the first three teams battled for points.

A quadrangular regatta at Tufts during the vacation found Middlebury hitting the win column against Tufts, Maine and Babson. Middlebury gathered 54 points, Tufts 45, Maine 34 and Babson 32. Both Ed Gleason and Ralph Gundersen won all four of their races for 20 points apiece while Jim Bowden got 14 points. Crews for this regatta were Gordy Brown, Sally Foss and John Hill.

Increased Prominence

Middlebury has gained increasing prominence among collegiate sailing circles in New England. At the present time the sailors are rated seventh among a group of about 30 New England colleges.

A prominent feature about the sailing club as a competing organization is the fact that there are enough good sailors to permit entrants of different personnel in most of the races. Middlebury's best racers are generally saved for the bigger meets while the large size of the club makes it possible for many other races to be entered.

J. V. Baseball, Tennis Teams

Following the policy set by the other major sports this year, a J.V. team is being formed for both baseball and tennis. A seven game schedule has been made up for the baseball team including a home and home series with Midd's three interstate rivals: U.V.M., Norwich and St. Michael's. As the team has been practicing for less than a week as a unit, the starting lineup is not yet set.

Tentatively though, the following will start against Vermont on May 6th: 1b, Bill Hare; 2b, Roger Handy; ss, Dick Baxter; 3b, Wood; c, Al Gould; pitchers, Hal Higgins and Al Crawford. The outfield will be composed of Spider Gibson, Julian Hodges and Bob Entwhistle. Tom Seamans and Don Menard may also gain berths in the starting lineup.

The tennis team will also field a J.V. team although as yet a schedule has not been made up. The team's main function will be to provide competition for the varsity with an opportunity to move up. Team members are: Bill Carpenter, John Clark, Lud Baumann, Mal Davidson, Dave Drexler, Stan Holt, Bill Joyce, Al MacClurg, John McElwain, Kim Seeley and Harding Williams.

photo by Dick Smith

Co-captains "Scooter" Paulson and "Cricket" Curtis seem far from worried about tomorrow's baseball opener against Boston University.

Lacrosse Team Loses To Tufts And Amherst

Middlebury lost its second lacrosse game of the season when the team lost to the visiting stickmen from Amherst College by a score of 7-5.

The spring sports season opened at Middlebury last Saturday when the Panther lacrosse team lost to Tufts 8-2. Middlebury's two goals were scored by Dick Thayer on a pass from Monk Ogden and Dick Esten unassisted.

Tufts jumped into a quick lead with two goals in the first six minutes of the opening quarter. Middlebury's first score came midway in the period when, taking advantage of an extra man due to a Tufts slashing penalty, Ogden hit Thayer with a pass close in which Thayer flipped past the Tufts goalie, Symons.

Second Quarter

The second quarter was a replica of the first, Tufts scoring two quick goals followed by one for Midd, scored by Esten. This ended Middlebury's scoring for the afternoon and the first half ended with Tufts in front 4-2. The visitors, coached by Tim Ring, went on to score two goals in each of the last quarters to win 8-2.

Middlebury's defense, led by Captain Phil Barton, looked particularly well. Greatest handicaps to Coach Hal Parker's team was the lack of wind in the midfield and limited experience in playing together.

In the game, played on a slightly wet field, the Panthers received six penalties to eleven for Tufts. Middlebury's goalie, Fletcher, had recently been converted from a midfield man due to an injury to the regular goalie Ted Gruman.

Summary

Middlebury Line-up:	
IH	Esten
OH	Ogden
1A	Attwill
2A	Baldwin
C	Kelly
2D	Freeman
1D	Bartlett
CP	Byers
P	Barton
G	Fletcher

Substitutes: Attack: Thayer; Midfield: Worthington, Gallagher, Bear, Stone, Ashworth; Defense: Varley, Kaplan, Heller; Goalie: Strachan.

Tufts Line-up:	
IH	Thompson
OH	Ross
1A	Hallam
2A	Rumbler
C	Bruns
2D	Davis
1D	Tyler
CP	Brown
P	Ferguson
G	Symons

Scoring: Middlebury: Thayer (Ogden), Esten

Track

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addition to the 440, Ray will be running the 880, probably with the able assistance of George Limbach, who really drives on the home stretch.

May and Porter

In the mile we have a hotly contested race between Roger May and Porter of Vermont with a man from Bates rated as an outside favorite. Hank Thommessen, Norwegian exchange student, however, will be trying also for those valuable mile points. The two milers will be Ed Hickcox and Brooks Dodd, but the catamounts have the edge in Cliff Hunter who has run a 10:20 two mile already this season.

The Panther field events are not as balanced as the running events, but points will be won by such stalwarts as Don Faber in the hammer and Dick Eddy in the discus. In the javelin the triumvirate of Prinn, Briggs, and Frederickson will be hurling the shaft. The pole vault, broad jump and shot put are uncertain, for Vermont has good men in these events. We will be relying chiefly on Faber, Ralph, Hawkins and Field in the weights with Cascio returning in the vault. The high jump looks good with such veterans as Hemphill and Prinn, but the Cats boast a 6-foot jumper in Fred Boss.

The meet more or less will be decided by the field events where Vermont is strongest.

Tennis

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The squad, which has yet to experience concerted outdoor practice because of the weather and the condition of the outdoor composition courts, should nevertheless come up with an excellent season, perhaps better than last year's 6-1 record. Most of last year's key men are back and the squad has been immeasurably strengthened by the half dozen freshmen who made the squad.

Baseball

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Judging from last year's statistics, Bob Stalker, and Curtis, who was second to Bob last year in RBI's, homers and hits, among the returning players, will bear the brunt of the attack, although Pete Marshall hit .435 for about a half season. Fankhauser and Storrs will also probably shoulder the pitching burden though little is known about the other hurlers. 1951's statistics are of little help when judging the 1952 season.

Photo By John Smith.

Co-captains Dick Daily and Ray Ablondi compare time trial results in preparation for Saturday's track opener.

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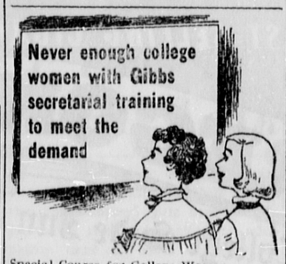

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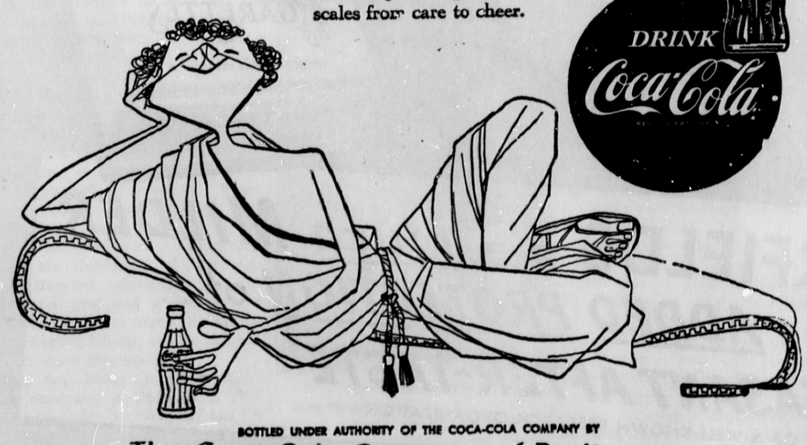

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WAA Announces 1952-53 Officers

The officers for the W.A.A. Council of 1952-53 were announced at the annual banquet held this evening at Dog Team. They are: President, Shirley L. Baldwin '53; Vice-President, Phyllis A. Keezer '54; Treasurer, Elizabeth S. Darling '53; and Secretary, Jean A. Eyles '55.

The All-Midd basketball team which was recently chosen is: Marilyn L. Brindley '52, Norma J. Loesch '53, Caroline S. Hadley '55 (forwards), and Carol C. Holmes '52, Nancy J. Thomsen '52, and Elizabeth S. Darling '53 (guards).

In badminton Barbara L. Knight was elected manager. There are 38 participating in the badminton tournament; those who reach the quarter finals will play in a mixed doubles match with the men's college. Managers for the spring sports are: Phyllis H. Laidlaw '53 and Elizabeth Strong '53 for tennis and softball respectively.

Film Club

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"Light Reflections," an exciting visual experience with unusual effects obtained with moving patterns of lights reflected from colored plastics, by the American artist James Davis.

"A Time for Bach," a highly imaginative film with an animated sequence as accompaniment to some Bach arias and fugues performed by the famous Bach Aria Group.

"Four in the Afternoon," a lyric suite of four poems with haunting visual accompaniment forming a sort of cinematic poetry.

"Brotherhood of Man," a gay and brilliant animated cartoon based on the pamphlet, "Races of Mankind."

"The River," one of the great documentaries of all time, with music by Virgil Thomson.

Critical discussion will follow the showing.

One may obtain tickets, membership cards, for 25 cents at the Book Store, the secretary's office in Munroe Hall, the secretary's office in Warner Science and the Treasurer's Office. There will be no door admission.

Harvard Holds N. E. Parley

A New England College Conference on Foreign Policy sponsored by Harvard and Radcliffe will be held this week-end, April 25th-27th, in Boston.

Among the experts to be present are Dr. Eddi Asirvatham, W. A. Beveraggi, W. H. Chamberlin, Raymond Dennett, Dan Fenn, Jr., Owen W. Lattimore, Yoko Matsuoka, Kanappan, Professor Charles Kindelberger, William L. Shirer, Frederick L. Schuman and Henry A. Wallace. Several officials from the State Department will participate in the Conference as well as Harvard professors and the Nieman Fellows of Harvard.

The Conference, which is open to all colleges, will open with a forum on April 25. At this time William L. Shirer will present an analysis of Republican and Democratic views on foreign policy, while Frederick L. Schuman will give an independent view of American foreign policy. Democratic and Republican speakers will be supplied by the respective state committees.

There will be panel discussions Saturday morning and afternoon on Foreign Aid, Coordination of American Foreign Policy, U.N. and Foreign Policy, Propaganda, and on all foreign countries concerned.

An informal dance featuring Guy Ormandy and his orchestra will highlight Saturday evening.

On Sunday morning there will be a meeting of the steering committee, students, student government presidents, and National Student Association delegates to discuss next year's conference.

A registration fee of $1.00 is the only fee for the forum and all panel sessions. Any additional information pertaining to the Conference may be obtained from Carol C. Holmes, Forest East.

Notice

Delta Delta Delta Sorority is offering a $200 scholarship for which any Middlebury woman is eligible. The scholarship will be awarded chiefly on the basis of need. Applications, which may be obtained now from Charlotte Manglesdorf '53 in Battell North, must be returned by May 8.

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